# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
# LOK SABHA

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SETTING UP OF NATIONAL PRESS CENTRE
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**Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:**

(a) whether National Press Centre is being set up in New Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the functions proposed to be assigned to the centre; and

(d) the time by which the said centre is likely to be completed/become functional?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d):A plot of land measuring 1.955 acres has been allotted at Raisina Road, New Delhi byMinistry of Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation for setting up the National PressCentre in the 10th Plan period. An outlay of Rs.35 crores has been made for this project during the Tenth Plan period. The centre is to provide a platform for dissemination of information to media with the help of the state of the art facilities such as video- conferencing, library, conference halls, committee room and modern communication centre.